

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT TACOMA

BRIDGET BECKER,

Plaintiff,

v.

CAROLYN W. COLVIN, Acting
Commissioner of the Social Security
Administration,

Defendant.

CASE NO. 2:16-cv-0004 JRC

ORDER ON UNOPPOSED MOTION
FOR EQUAL ACCESS TO JUSTICE
ACT FEES AND EXPENSES

This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 636(c), Fed. R. Civ. P. 73 and Local Magistrate Judge Rule MJR 13 (*see also* Notice of Initial Assignment to a U.S. Magistrate Judge and Consent Form, Dkt. 5; Consent to Proceed Before a United States Magistrate Judge, Dkt. 6).

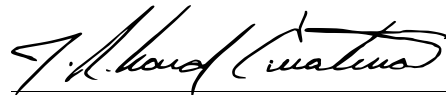
This matter is before the Court on plaintiff's Motion for Equal Access to Justice Act Fees (*see* Dkt. 17). Defendant has no objection to plaintiff's motion (*see* Dkt. 19).

Based on the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, ("EAJA"), plaintiff's motion (*see* Dkt. 17), the attorney declarations and time itemization (Dkt. 17, Attachments 1, 3, 4), and the relevant record, it is hereby ORDERED that EAJA attorney's fees of \$2,203.41 shall be

1 awarded to plaintiff pursuant to the EAJA and consistent with *Astrue v. Ratliff*, 130 S.Ct. 2521,
2 2524, 2010 U.S. LEXIS 4763 at ***6-***7 (2010).

3 The Acting Commissioner shall contact the Department of Treasury after the Order for
4 EAJA fees is entered to determine if the EAJA fees are subject to any offset. If it is determined
5 that plaintiff's EAJA fees are not subject to any offset allowed pursuant to the Department of the
6 Treasury's Offset Program, then the check for EAJA fees shall be made payable to Matthew T.
7 Russell, Esq., based on plaintiff's assignment of these amounts to plaintiff's attorney (*see* Fee
8 Contract – Federal Court – SSI/SSDI, Dkt. 18). If there is an offset, the remainder shall be made
9 payable to plaintiff, based on the practice of the Department of the Treasury (*see, e.g.*, Case No.
10 2:15-cv-122, Dkt. 22, p. 4). Any check for EAJA fees shall be mailed to plaintiff's counsel,
11 Matthew T. Russell, Esq., at Russell & Hill, PLLC, 3811-A Broadway, Everett, WA 98201.

12 Dated this 27th day of October, 2016.

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15 J. Richard Creatura
16 United States Magistrate Judge
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